

# Greenbelt News Review

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## PG Commission Urges Library, Park Bonds

Of interest to Greenbelt residents among the legislative items proposed by Prince Georges County Commission is the request for authority to issue bonds for library park land. These items were included in an 11-point program presented by the commissioners to Prince Georges State Senators and Assemblymen at Annapolis last week.

In soliciting support from the county delegation for a million-dollar library bond issue, the commissioners pointed out that 2 regional libraries are needed for the county. The libraries will house administrative offices and personnel and will be built in areas to be selected by the commissioners.

In its plea for a million-dollar bond issue authority for park land, the commission pointed out the urgency of acquiring such land before outlying areas are built up and the price of land becomes prohibitive.

Other items in its legislative program included issuance of bonds for road construction, completion of court house, and construction of welfare building; extension of the regional district of the Park & Planning Commission; authority to regulate truck traffic on county roads; authority to prevent building in flood plain areas; change in law permitting annexation by municipalities; and change in condemnation procedures.

## MUNICIPAL CODE

The city council approved a new municipal code at its meeting last Monday night which established traffic regulations for the city. The code set parking limits on Centerway, along main thoroughfare shoulders, in the East parking lot of the Center commercial area (the West lot is privately owned) in the courts, school zones and churches, and set a fine of two dollars to violators who wish to avoid insurance of a warrant. It was emphasized, however, that the two dollar fine does not apply to speeding or other serious traffic offenses, which are handled by the courts.

## Added Prize Donors

The following donors gave prizes to holders of lucky ticket stubs at last Saturday's traffic safety program for children at the Greenbelt Theatre: Battery A, 224 Field Artillery Battalion, Crisp's Garage of Lanham, Greenbelt Recreation Department, Greenbelt Pharmacy, Greenbelt News agency, Officer Taylor, and the Rock Creek Ginger Ale Co. These donors are in addition to those listed in the last issue of your News Review.

## WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

In a demonstration sponsored by the American Home Department of the Greenbelt Women's Club, Kitty Rotruck, national teacher-trainer of Bishop method of clothing construction, and Mrs. L. J. Pope, local teacher of the method, held a demonstration on clothing accessories at the home of Mrs. Charles M. Cormack, Jr., 35-H Ridge on Tuesday, Jan. 27.

The Greenbelt Women's Club has donated \$25.00 to "Care's Self-Help to Mexico," as a participant in the Maryland Federation of Women's Clubs adoption of a village in Mexico.

## COOP NURSERY

The Greenbelt Cooperative Nursery School will meet Wednesday, Feb. 4, at 8:30 p.m. at the Garin home, 10-A Hillside. Anne Kazlauskas and Hazel Dimhart, incumbents of the Supervisory Committee, Edward C. Kaighn, Joseph C. O'Neil and Joseph T. Haslinger were reelected.

## "WASTE OF MONEY"

Mayor Tom Canning called the Christmas package wrapping class conducted by the local recreation department a "waste of money," at the city council meeting last Monday night. After first praising Warren Leddick, rec dep director, for the fine department report and brochure now being distributed, Canning added his remarks about the wrapping class. Others at the meeting said it was a new "art form," and classes were held by the county and D. C. department stores. When it was disclosed that only two citizens attended the class, the subject was dropped.

## Credit Union Reports Gains To Members

The annual membership meeting of the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union, held in the city office building last Wednesday, was one of the best attended and most interesting in recent years. Reports of officers and committee chairmen contained mostly good news for the members.

The opening address of presiding officer Jim Beck was filled with warm words of welcome to the 22nd annual meeting, as well as expressions of pleasure because of the good attendance. Beck reported that the Credit Union had had a good year, with gains in membership, shares, loans and reserves, and a very favorable decrease in delinquent loans. In addition, loan insurance had been obtained thus providing life insurance coverage on all outstanding loans.

The Credit Committee Report showed a total of 308 loans made during the year for a total of \$166,160, a busy year for the committee.

Ed Kaighn, Chairman of the Supervisory Committee, reported that his committee had examined the books and records quarterly and found them in good order. Also, that the office was well organized and the affairs of the Credit Union conducted by the Board of Directors and committees in the best interests of the members.

Treasurer Joe Comproni reported that 1958 was a good year in terms of growth and service to the membership. The number of accounts, savings, loans, and net gain increased as evidenced by the following:

	1958	1957
No. of accounts	805	745
Shares (savings)	117,092	76,424
Loans	117,816	103,882
Net Gain before reserves	4,928	3,932

Comproni reported that after setting aside required reserves there would be \$3,942 available for dividends and other purposes. He stated that the Board recommended continuation of the 4% dividend, which would require \$3,250, and placing the remainder in undivided earnings to further improve the financial structure of the Credit Union. After considerable discussion the membership voted a 4% dividend.

Next on the agenda was the election of five Board members, two Credit Committee members, and a Supervisory Committee of three. Elected to the Board of Directors were Alan Morrison, Jim Beck, Board members Ben Rosenzweig and Carl Eubank were elected to two-year terms Supervisory Committee were Anne Kazlauskas and Hazel Dimhart. Incumbents of the Supervisory Committee, Edward C. Kaighn, Joseph C. O'Neil and Joseph T. Haslinger were reelected.

## AGENDA

### REGULAR MEETING

#### Council of the City of GREENBELT, MARYLAND

February 2, 1959

1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Minutes of Previous Meeting, January 19.
4. Petitions and Requests
5. Written Communications
6. Ordinance - Establish a Unit Cost of Equipment to be Included in Replacement.
7. Resolution - Parking in Courts.
8. Report from Classifications Committee.

## JR.-HI PTA ENJOYS FILM

The Greenbelt Junior High PTA met Tuesday, Jan. 13. After a brief business meeting, Lowell Hatfield, President, turned the meeting over to the program chairman, Mr. Wheeler. A film, entitled "The Teens" was shown. Mr. Painter, Vice Principal of the school, gave the parents a school's-eye view of our children, and led the discussion which followed the film. It was an entertaining account of a not so average family in which the 3 teenagers were remarkably well-adjusted. The parents trusted their children and the children lived up to their trust. The film was produced by the Mental Health Branch of the Department of Health and Welfare in Ottawa, Canada.

## BOYS CLUB NEWS

The Intermediates, coached by Mike Canning, Tony Baker, and Bill Moore, lost their first in four Friday night to Georgetown. Al Moraz was high for both teams, pacing the losers with 22 points.

Monday night saw the Intermediates and Juniors win a twin bill over Landover Hills in conference play. The Juniors, coached by Ken Murray, won a thriller in overtime by seven points, 39-32, for their second win with no loss.

The Intermediates won easily 60-44 for their fourth win out of five. Moraz, Pat Cawley, and Bill Willis, with 20, 18, and 10 points respectively, were the high scorers.

## POLIO CLINIC

Response to the notice of a polio clinic is disappointing, public health nurse Margaret Plackett disclosed this week. Many more requests will have to be forthcoming to warrant this third clinic, scheduled to be held Feb. 3, she added.

Do not delay in sending in the number of members in the family who wish to receive their third injection. This clinic does not provide for a fourth or booster shot.

## GHI Board Hears Complaints on WSSC Excavations; Blame Poor Weather

Officials of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. gave assurances last week that everything possible was being done to have the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission speed up the necessary excavation and alteration work involved in installing water meters. About 120 new water meters are required for the defense homes under the contract dedicating the city's water and sewer system to WSSC. In addition, some original meters near brick homes have been dug up so as to cut off and seal unused lines.

At the regular meeting of the board of directors on Thursday, Jan. 22, complaints were aired that the work, which began in mid-November, has been unduly slow and messy, and that there has been a lack of safety precautions. GHI officials said that WSSC attributes the delay to the sub-freezing weather, which set in early this year and caused work to be abandoned for days at a time.

A question commonly asked was why WSSC didn't confine its operations to a few courts at a time and finish up its work there before going on to the next area. In this way, only a few holes would be open at a time, instead of having the entire Greenbelt landscape dotted with the unsightly holes and piles of dirt.

Director Frank Lastner stated that, according to WSSC, such a mode of operations would be inefficient. One work crew does the excavating, another the laying of pipes, and so forth. It would not pay for WSSC, it was alleged, to keep bringing in and out such specialized crews and equipment to work on a few holes at a time.

With respect to the alleged lack of safety measures Lastner said it was his understanding that WSSC is very conscious of its safety record and has done its best to keep the holes boarded and marked with night lanterns. According to GHI officials the cooperation of Greenbelt residents has not been of the best. WSSC has reported the loss of over 300 lanterns since the project started. Reports also have it that in many instances boards are removed by mischievous children after the workmen leave.

## Landscape

Recommendations of the landscape committee headed by director Hans Jorgensen, on a planting program for this year were accepted by the board. The committee plans a 3-pronged program: (1) replacement of dead trees with stock on hand; (2) beautification of frame apartments; and (3) complete spraying program for hedges and recently planted trees, especially crabapples and cedars.

The committee is also planning to encourage self-help community planting programs whereby individuals and their neighbors with joint landscaping problems could solicit the help of the committee in solving such problems jointly. As an illustration of where such joint action would have been helpful and avoided trouble, there was cited the plight of the court whose members individually attempted to beautify their yards by filling in swales, only to cause their neighbors' yards to flood.

## RECREATION NEWS

### Golden Age Club

The Greenbelt Golden Age Club now boasts a membership over 30. The Club started with 13 members a little less than two years ago. Meetings are held each Wednesday in the Social Room at Center School at 1:30 p.m. Latest members to join are Mr. and Mrs. Lester Cornbush, Mrs. Mary Anderson and Mrs. Phoebe Walden.

### Youth Center

All dances at the Youth Center on alternate Fridays and each Saturday will continue for teenagers 13-19 years of age.

Last Saturday night the Youth Center did not operate due to the lack of chaperones. There must be at least one mother and father present along with the club director to start a dance or any planned evening.

The Youth Center will hold an "Old Record Hop" on Friday, Jan. 30. You may bring your own records but please have them marked.

## F.D. & R.S. Auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary to the G.V.F.D. & R.S. held its first meeting for the new year on Tuesday, Jan. 13, at the Fire Hall. At this meeting twenty-one women were present and plans of proposed projects for the forth-coming year were disclosed by the Ways and Means Committee. One event is scheduled for each month.

Also included in the plans is the Mother's march on polio, organized by the ladies of the auxiliary, which took place last night.

One of the plans is for a bazaar to be held in June. Included as one of the features of the bazaar will be a White Elephant table anyone having some item that might be used is asked to bring it to the fire house, where a box will be on hand. This invitation is for anyone in Greenbelt who wishes to donate something which might help the women of the Auxiliary in their attempt to raise money. Any money made on the various projects throughout the year is usually turned over to the men in the form a gift. Last year the women handed the men a check for \$300 with which to buy much needed uniforms.

The Auxiliary has long believed that many women in Greenbelt, who have an interest in the Ladies Auxiliary think that they have to be related to the men on the squads. There is no such ruling in Greenbelt. Any woman who would like to join is invited to attend one of the meetings to get the information firsthand. The group meets once a month, the second Tuesday of the month at 8:30 p.m.

## GUESS WHERE

The omission of a verbal comma stimulated twitters at the city council meeting last Monday night during a discussion of a police case involving the complaint of a Greenbelt woman that her car was stolen. Police later determined that her husband had taken the car, which belonged to him, following a domestic quarrel. The mayor, Tom Canning, inquired whether the woman was liable for prosecution for a false complaint, adding, "if she is not, it could affect every man in Greenbelt."

Councilman James Smith declared, "The police are naturally reluctant to prosecute where two people have been cohabitating vigorously . . ."

## Bus Fair Goes Up

The increase in the Greenbelt bus fare approved by the city council last Dec. to provide more revenue for the city budget goes into effect on Monday, Feb. 2. There are now only two fare zones with the intersection of Edmonston and Greenbelt rds. as the dividing line.

The new fares are 10c for each zone for persons 12 years or over or a total of 20c for a two-zone trip, such as all the way to Route No. 1. However, riders between the ages of 12 and 18 who are traveling to and from any school except colleges and universities need only pay a ten-cent fare, regardless of the number of zones traveled. The fare for children from six to twelve years of age remains 5c, with no charge for children under six accompanied by a responsible adult.

## Rev. Connolly Speaks

The Rev. Joseph Connolly of the Church of St. Gregory the Great, director of radio and television in the Archdiocese of Baltimore, will speak to the Sodality of St. Hugh's Church, on Wednesday, Feb. 4, at 9:15 p.m. in the social room of the school.

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## LAST CALL

For indicating number of polio shots for your family, to be given at Center School, February 3 at 2:00 p.m. No age limit. Fee, \$1.00. This clinic does not include fourth or booster shot.

Send reply to Public Health Department, Greenbelt.

UNITE WITH THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE DURING THE WEEK OF WITNESSING FEBRUARY 7 - 13 ATTEND MASS MEETING at Cole Student Activity Building, Maryland University Sunday, February 8, 3:30 P.M. (Seating 14,000) 350 Churches Cooperating Chorus of 1,000 Dr. Elmer G. Homrichausen, Speaker Sponsored by Council of Churches National Capital Area

### DENIAL

The manager of the apartment house, where a leak occurred in a bottled gas apparatus last week, denied that there had been a three-day delay in reporting the leak, as had been published in last week's News Review based on a police report. The manager said that the leak had been reported quickly to the gas company and repaired promptly, although a second repair visit was necessary. The manager also noted that the presence of a bad odor does not necessarily mean a leak since a special chemical in the bottle emits such an odor as a warning when the gas is quite low.

### THANKS

I wish to take this means of thanking everyone for the beautiful flowers and cards I received during my stay here at Mt. Alto Hospital.

Allen D. Morrison

### MUSINGS OF MARK

Would I could once more recall that youthful zest and love for all adventure, when nothing daunted enterprise and happy thoughts shone in our eyes in grand anticipation.

Mark 9/26/58

### RECREATION NEWS

Friday, Jan. 30, there will be an "Old Record Hop." You are invited to bring your own records, but make sure they are well marked.

### Arts and Crafts

Registration will be held on Feb. 9 at 3:45 p.m. at Center school and on Feb. 10 at 3:45 p.m. at North End school. Classes will be offered once a week at each school. Students at St. Hugh's may register for the class nearest their home.

The Gulls are presently leading the elementary bowling league with a 17-1 record followed close by the Owls with a 16-2 record. The league bowls each Friday at 4 p.m. New bowlers are always welcome.

### THANKS

I want to express my deep appreciation to the many friends whose thoughtfulness helped to sustain me and my grandmother, Mrs. Florence Ewing, during the illness and subsequent loss of my mother, Mrs. Helen Ewing Evans.

Tim Evans

### THANKS

#### To All Our Friends:

We wish to gratefully acknowledge and thank you for your many kind expressions of sympathy shown us during our sad bereavement.

Mr. Lester Miller  
Mrs. Irene Donahue  
Mrs. Alex Mazitis

## Our Neighbors

By Elaine Skolnik, GR. 4-6060

It's a girl for Mr. and Mrs. Barney Meier, 10-A Southway. Kelly Lynn made her debut on Dec. 4, weighing 6 lbs. 13 oz. She joins a brother, Lyle, who will be three in Mar.

A very happy birthday to Diana Jenkins, 22-F Crescent, who soon celebrates her first birthday.

The Good Fairy surely had a problem last Saturday night when she visited the Feeney home, 14-A Ridge. Since 6-week-old Patrick Michael does not sleep on a pillow, where did she leave her golden coins? Little Patrick was born with two teeth. One was removed at an earlier date, and the remaining front tooth was extracted on Saturday.

The Francis Gings now reside at 3-F Eastway.

Birthday greetings to Elaine Zubkoff, 17-H Ridge, who celebrated her seventh birthday.

The girls of Troop 416 were invested as Girl Scouts in ceremonies at the Community Church. Their leader, Mrs. R. Finnocchiaro told the girls "we do not live alone in the world today and must learn to get along with others." She also advised: "If you have something bad to say about someone, don't say it."

The new address of the Carroll Hensons is 2-D Research.

Congratulations to our local Boy Scout Troop 746 team, consisting of Brian Hunt, Dick Wertz, Mike Lammons, Milton Harris, and Irwin Abramovitz, who finished in second place at the First Annual First Aid Skill Derby for Prince Georges County Boy Scouts, held on Saturday, Jan. 17, at Suitland Jr. High School. The team received the Judges Award Plaque for their skill.

The Joseph Delanys, former Greenbelters now residing in Beltsville, are the proud parents of a daughter. They have three other children.

### "For Last Time"

Veteran Austin R. Green, starting on his 13th year with the Police Department, has reenlisted in the Greenbelt National Guard.

In 1925, at the age of 16, he enlisted in the Pennsylvania National Guard serving with the Civilian Military Training Camp at Fort Meade in 1927, and for 13 months with the Civilian Conservation Corps in 1935. Later he was assigned to the Air Transport Command Training Center, Camp Luna, N. Mex.

During the period of service he was stationed at the Washington National Airport, he was assigned to guard and escort such notable figures as Winston Churchill. Re-enlisting after each period of service, he has accumulated a total of 21 years.

Austin says this is absolutely the "last time he will reenlist," but we who know him best, doubt it.

### Poetry Corner

Idyllist I never were  
did I not this scene conjure  
From south Italia's place yard  
where Victor took his pleasure:  
Idols, which some decide  
wishing other deified,  
Threw down broken side by side,  
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Mark 11/19/58

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## Richard Hoffman Joins Greenbelt Realty Co.

A Greenbelt resident, J. Richard Hoffman, of 114 Northway, has recently joined the sales force of the Greenbelt Realty Co. Associated with the Woodway Homes Development since 1955, Mr. Hoffman has served as Treasurer and member of the Board of Directors since 1956. During this time the construction of the original twenty-one homes and the sale of forty-nine lots, representing over half a million dollars in improvements and home construction, were completed in Greenbelt.

Hoffman also had a hand in the planning and construction of the multi-purpose structure of the Greenbelt Methodist Church at 40 Ridge, which was accomplished while he was chairman of the Building Committee between 1953-54. Presently he is serving as chairman of the committee on membership and evangelism and is also a church school teacher. His other activities include being Institutional Representative for Boy Scout Troop 764 and a Lieutenant in the U. S. Naval Reserve.

"Dick", to his friends and associates, a native of Altoona, Pa., and a graduate of Temple University, Philadelphia, Pa. with a B.S. degree in Public and Business Administration. During World War II he was a Yeoman with Chief Cable Censor's Office, first residing in Greenbelt in 1943. Later he saw service on Landing Ship (Medium) No. 200 with the Amphibious Forces. During the Korean affair, the Hoffman family returned to Greenbelt and he to service in the Navy Department as a Lieutenant. He has been employed by the National Security Agency as an analyst since 1954.

The Hoffman family includes his wife, Mary Ellen; daughters, Marty, Nancy, Cathy, and Mary Ellen, and son, Tommy. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman have done volunteer work with the Greenbelt Youth Center.

### Scheaffer - Miller

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Scheaffer of 58-G Crescent, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Josephine Scheaffer, to Kenneth Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Miller of Harrisburg, Pa.

Miss Scheaffer attended Shippensburg State Teachers College and is now attending Thompson Business College. Her fiance was graduated from John Harris High School and is employed by Phoenix Iron and Steel Company.

### MY NAME IS ROSE

By Theodore Keogh

With the publication of "My Name Is Rose" by the New American Library, the novels of author Theodore Keogh will hit over two million copies in paperbound Signet printings. The new novel, which was published in hardcovers by Farrar, Straus, and Cudahy, is the story of a wife who is torn between her very different loves, one for her husband and one for a popular musician. The setting is Paris where Mrs. Keogh has lived for a number of years. Other Signet titles by Theodore Keogh are "The Fasinator," "Meg," "The Double Door," "The Tattooed Heart," and "Street Music."

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FOR SALE 4-way floor lamp \$10. Child's tricycle \$5. GR. 3-5801.

### COUNTY RECREATION

Classes in Personality Development for teen-age girls have been added to be recreation program offered by the County Recreation Department this spring. Classes will be held after school, during the week, and on Saturday mornings for a twelve-week period. Ballet, baton, tap, Hawaiian Dance, tumbling and trampoline, and creative art are also included in the program.

Registration for all classes will be held beginning the week of Jan. 26. A complete listing of classes can be secured from the Prince Georges County Recreation Department, 4803 Riverdale rd., Riverdale, Md.

### ASIAN LITERATURE

by John D. Yohannan

"A Treasury of Asian Literature," edited with introduction and commentaries by John D. Yohannan, which the New American Library is releasing in a paperbound Mentor edition, is the first general collection of the sacred and secular literature of all Asia to be published anywhere since the first year of the present century. Mr. Yohannan, who teaches English and Comparative Literature at the College of the City of New York compiled the volume during a sabbatical year made possible by the Fund for the Advancement of Education. "A Treasury of Asian Literature" includes prose, poetry, and scriptures of the great cultures and religions of Arnoia, Persia, India, China, and Japan in translations selected to meet the highest tests of scholarship and literacy. The hardcover edition of "A Treasury of Asian Literature" was published by the John Day Company.

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## Random House

### The Hours After Midnight

By Joseph Hayes (\$3.00)

It was after two a.m. when Charles Elgin and his wife Helen awoke to the ringing of the telephone. The caller said that their daughter Julie was safe as long as Charles did not try to get help. He and his wife were to go downstairs, open the curtains at the picture window and sit there. The man on the phone (or was he a boy?) said he'd call back in 10 minutes.

Thus begins a new, tightly plotted suspense novel by the author of *The Desperate Hours*—which is every bit as electrifying as Joseph Hayes' first smash success.

### The Enemy Camp

By Jerome Weidman (\$4.95)

Jerome Weidman's eleventh novel portrays a man's bondage to passion and prejudice. George Hurst's carefully buried past is threatened by an unscrupulous boyhood friend and a woman who has always haunted George's life. In this crisis he is faced with the need to uncover the roots of his own prejudice, if he is to save his marriage with his beautiful Gentile wife. Long known as an able interpreter of contemporary life, Jerome Weidman has added depth and power to his stature. By the author of *I Can Get It for You Wholesale* and *Your Daughter, Iris*.

### You Tell My Son

By Rex Pratt (\$4.95)

In a nightmare encounter with the Japanese, all but six of a Regular Army platoon are killed in the South Pacific during World War II. Four survivors are reassigned to an inexperienced National Guard Unit. Immediately bitterness seethes between the new and the old. From the story of their conflict arises an unflinchingly frank expose of men in war, and the women they left at home.

### Pax

By Middleton Kiefer (\$3.95)

Joe Logan, publicity man for the Raven Pharmaceutical Company, saw in war hero Captain Bedford Montrose the makings of an innocent huckster for the good name of Raven. He sent the captain on a trial speaking tour, and "Buddy" Montrose was dynamite. Then came Raven's new tranquilizer, Pax, the great peace pill, and Buddy was elected to carry the Pax message to the people. The story of what happened when Pax and Buddy were loosed upon the eager public is a timely, eye-opening blend of business, sex and politics—for everyone who liked *The Hucksters* and *The Hidden Persuaders* and *The Last Hurrah*.

### The Nine Lives of Michael Todd

By Art Cohn (\$4.95)

The recent tragic death of one of America's great showmen ended a fabulous career. The man who knew Mike Todd best was his friend Art Cohn, who died in the same plane crash that killed Mike Todd. At the time of his death, Mr. Cohn—biographer of Joe E. Lewis, among others—had just completed Todd's biography. Mike Todd's life was an extravaganza played on the stage of the world, with kings and queens and movie stars taking supporting roles. But this isn't just the story of a man who started with nothing and made millions, only to lose them and make more; or just the star-studded story of a master showman; or just the story of a man who was happily married to one of America's most beautiful women. It goes behind the scenes of the extravaganza to tell the real story of an incredible, many-faceted

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## Return of the Stranger

By Dorothy James Roberts

A lost girl, to be called Etain, is found in the wilds of the Irish forests, frightened and starving. Thus begins one of the most passionate and, at the same time, tender love stories ever written. A legend of pagan Irish days has been reborn and flourishes in Dorothy James Roberts' story of Etain, bride of two Kings.

Under the affectionate care of foster parents, Etain grows to become one of the most beautiful and sought-after young women in the land. Her one dream and wish is to marry a man whom she does not know—the true High King of Ireland.

The High King comes to her in disguise. It is Eohey, son of Rogan the Red, Master of Tara, who claims her. In a dazzling wedding ceremony he makes her his bride and Queen of Tara. Here we witness the feasts and festivals of Ireland; here are scenes of the wild gaiety of the Irish people in the days when poets sang verses and druids cast spells on the land.

But their happiness is threatened when Midir, a dark figure from the island kingdom of Bri Leith, also claims Etain as his wife and in a tense, dramatic chess game wins her from Eohey. True to the ancient code he must let her go.

Miss Roberts' skill as a writer is brilliantly displayed in the final chapters of Eohey's heroic rescue of his Etain and their return to Tara. Rarely has a story been so movingly told. This book establishes the tale of Etain and Eohey as one of the most lasting in literature. Published by Appleton-Century-Crafts, Inc.

### THE DEEP RANGE

By Arthur C. Clarke

Arthur C. Clarke, an eminent scientist as well as "one of the best performers in the field of science fiction" ("San Francisco Chronicle"), uses his knowledge of underwater exploration for the background of his latest science fiction story, "The Deep Range," released by the New American Library as a paperbound Signet book. A novel set in the year 2000, "The Deep Range" tells of a grounded veteran space ship engineer who is assigned to a submarine patrol tendering giant squid, fights a great sea serpent and rescues a disabled submarine. Even Readers who shy away from science fiction as such might respond favorably to "The Deep Range," continued the "San Francisco Chronicle."

ted man whom few people ever really knew.

### From The Terrace

By John O'Hara (\$5.95)

John O'Hara's new novel is by far his longest and best. It is the life story of Alfred Eaton, a product of eastern Pennsylvania and of Princeton, who becomes an important figure in Wall Street and the nation. The story takes the reader from the closing years of the nineteenth century to the middle of the present decade and ranges through Pennsylvania, Princeton, Delaware, Manhattan, Long Island, Washington, Louisiana and California. There are more than a hundred major and minor characters, men, women and children of great wealth and of poverty and in between, including powerful financiers, the youth of two generations, Philadelphia and New York society, men in government, women in love, a nation twice at war, and the changing pictures of more than fifty years in American history. By the author of *Ten North Frederick*, *Appointment in Samarra*, etc.

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## Those Living Behind Locked Doors

By Rita Fisher

On our November trip to St. Elizabeth's hospital for our "party" at one of the Women's wards, we expected to be kept quite busy. For various reasons, only four women made the trip. This is a rather small group where there are about fifty mental patients to entertain. We counted on the able assistance of the attendants, and as things progressed, all went well.

We arrived at the hospital about a half hour later than scheduled and were very happily received. They let us know they were waiting and afraid maybe we wouldn't make it since we were not there at the expected time. The nurses told us that they usually start asking about our coming a week before we're due. They look forward to these parties so eagerly.

Since we were shorthanded, I did not get much chance to talk to any of the patients when we first arrived. We had to get about the task of setting the tables and chairs up for the Bingo Games. Again every available place was occupied, indicating that they are enjoying our prizes and our visits—reward enough for us.

We tried to keep the game going until everyone had won at least once. They enjoy picking out their own prizes, which include hats, cologne, washcloths, soap, and costume jewelry. An amusing incident occurred when one of the ladies, wearing a long white chenille bathrobe, chose a white flower hat and strutted around the room modelling it. Mrs. D. always picks out jewelry, not for herself but for members of her family. She is one of the more fortunate patients who can leave the hospital occasionally in care of one of her children and spend the day in their home.

We served punch and cookies as refreshments and asked them to come up and be served, but a certain number never leave their chairs during the whole time we're there. These we bring the refreshments to. One woman was sitting on the floor against the wall, her knees hunched up and her head down. I walked over to her with some cookies and offered them to her. She raised her head and, without any change of expression on her face, accepted them. We all noted that none of the patients had refused cookies. We then passed out the punch, and I looked over at the lady sitting on the floor and wondered if she had been offered some punch. I asked one of the nurses and she said she didn't know and commented that that particular woman was a "mean" one. I brought a cup of punch over to her and saw that she had just started to eat the cookies. She took the punch. This is a good sign. A slight showing of trust in us was evident; otherwise she would not have accepted anything.

I had noticed a certain patient playing Bingo for the first time. She's been a patient there all this time, but we've never seen her seated before. She usually walked around the room or stood by the door with a restless attitude about her. I walked over to her and told her it was nice to see her playing Bingo with us. As she spoke, I noticed a lovely British accent. When I commented on this to her, she told me a story which I will tell you. She said she was really from another planet, Titania by name. She was put on this earth at Buckingham Palace. From England, she went to Turkey, and from there she came to the U.S.A. When she spoke, she looked at me in all apparent sincerity, and it was hard for me to stand there and listen without showing disbelief. I must have made a hit with her, because before we left she came over and asked me to please come back and visit her, not at party time, just a regular visit. I said I would, because I do intend to spend a day there getting to know more about these women who consider us their friends.

I also had a chance to sit with the woman who plays the piano for us when we need it. I commented on the dress she was wearing, and I realized that maybe I shouldn't have. I told her that the dress was oversized for her small figure and that I thought she should wear something more stylish. She talked with me for quite a while, but most

of what she said was lost to the surrounding sounds because she spoke so softly. I felt that it might not be a good thing to ask her to repeat herself, so I just pretended that I could hear her. Before I left, she too came over to me and said that she would try to have on a better dress next time. The fact that she came to find me as did the one who wanted me to come back as a visitor shows the progress we are making.

Before we left, I was happily surprised by a visit from Miss T. It was Miss T. who had promised me the copy of a French poem by Victor Hugo. This was two months ago. I had sought her out last month, at which time she said she had not had a chance to make the copy for me. I could not take the time to look for her this time, and it was very gratifying to see her coming toward me. She had kept her promise; she had the poem for me. I have since had it translated, and it turned out to be a lovely "love" poem.

For our Dec. trip we are hoping to have a Christmas party. We sincerely hope more women will come along with us. There is nothing eerie about these trips. The patients fit into two general groups; those that are friendly and sociable and those who sit around in the chairs the whole time we are there. There is no violence, no scenes. Come with us and see for yourself. We go on the third Wednesday of the month, leaving here at about 12:30 and returning usually by 4 p.m. Can you spare the time?

I would also like to thank the various people here in Greenbelt who have given us things to bring as prizes for the Bingo Games. Sincerest thanks from all of us. If you want to speak to me about these trips, my number is 9689.

### LETTER FROM PEKING

By Pearl S. Buck

In this novel, Pearl Buck combines for her readers many of those things about which she feels most strongly. It is a book that makes the reader think about such things as continuity of family, the grip of one's roots in nation and locality, the good and bad that life holds for persons of mixed blood and the transcending power of deep and mutual love.

All these themes, as well as the beauty of China and its civilization—and what has happened to them both under communism—are interwoven in a bitter-sweet, poignant and suspenseful experience of a man and woman whose love must struggle against race, politics and separation.

The story is told in the first person by an American woman whose half-Chinese husband stayed in Peking under communism while she and their only son returned to live in the small Vermont town of her childhood. Through years of separation, she was sustained by her passionate love for him, by her dream of reunion by his letters. Then came the last letter that completely overturned her existence. After this letter, she relives her life up to that moment through the technique of flashbacks. Playing a moving counterpoint to the main story is the search of their quarter-Chinese son, just reached manhood, for a love that will yield him happiness rather than the frustration he has seen in his parents' lives.

An eighteen weeks resident on the best-seller lists, *Letter From Peking* has been called "... one of Pearl Buck's greatest novels." It is a story that the reader will not soon forget—a certain wonder of it will probably always remain. Published by Pocket Books, Inc., a Cardinal edition (35c.)

### A Stillness at Appomattox

By Bruce Catton

This is the book that won for its author a Pulitzer Prize in history and a National Book Association non-fiction award. It is the last of Bruce Catton's trilogy on the Civil War. The first: "Mr. Lincoln's Army," the second: "Glory Road." It is the story of the last, desperate, heart-breaking year of the Civil War and it is one of the few documented histories that reads exactly like a tale of thrilling adventure. The fact that it's all true makes it even more dramatic.

It starts in the winter of 1865 when the Army of the Potomac stood at the crossroads. It was an army long since emptied of the men who had joined out of love of country and burning zeal. Now it consisted of mercenaries, bounty-jumpers and a hard core of seasoned but embittered veterans who had lost sight of the original goal of radiant victory and had become a ruthless machine of war headed by General Ulysses S. Grant. With unmatched brilliance, author Catton takes the reader through the final battles starting with the Wilderness and ending with the truce at Appomattox. Every one who reads it marvels that a history can be so spellbinding. Published by Pocket Books, Inc., a Giant Cardinal edition (50c.)

### Who Rush to Glory

By Clifford P. Westermeier

The Spanish-American War, although of short duration, had all the aspects of a full-fledged conflict. None was more stirring and audacious than the creation of three volunteer cavalry regiments under the command of Colonels Theodore Roosevelt, Jay L. Torrey, and Melvin Grigsby.

The author has fashioned a narrative of high adventure concerning a man of spirit—the American cowboy—whose faith in his luck, skill, courage, and tenacity as a horseman and marksman challenged him to carry out a destiny for which he was born. For the cowboy the war was the last opportunity once more to ride as freely and recklessly as he had over the endless domain of the cattle country. In this final hour, he could live under the code which allowed each man to create his own rules for survival. This was the challenge that swept the cowboy volunteer of 1898 into the human gristmill of war.

Grouped with the cowboy volunteer were figures of local and national prominence. Who Rush To Glory tells of the success and failure, the fun and heartbreak,

the idealism and the sickening futility which befall those whose motives lead them to fight, suffer, bleed, and die. Here is the story as it was carried back to the ranch, the line camp, the farm, the village—to those at home who waited and hoped.

In succeeding chapters the author unfolds the account of the recruitment, training, the travel, good fortune, trials, tragedies, and, finally, the mustering out of the regiments. The use of intimate, day-by-day accounts, letters, and humorous and personal incidents creates the *esprit de corps* of the cowboy volunteer and his rendezvous with destiny.

Of the three regiments, only Roosevelt's Rough Riders actually met the enemy, but the other two faced foes almost as real. Grigsby's Cowboys fought their sickening battle in foul-smelling encampment against disease and boredom; and tragedy and death plagued Torrey's Terrors, and their hopes and tenacity shattered amid scenes of disappointment and inactivity.

Here, then, is the dramatic story of the Cowboy Volunteers of 1898, of a cavalcade that marched briefly across the horizon but left an indelible imprint. Published by the Caxton Printers, Ltd. (\$6.00)

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